

vernor elect, at 10 o'clock on Friday, the 21st inst., and proceed to the Capitol in the following order :

Programme of Procession.

Music ;
 Military ;
 Governor, and Governor elect ;
 Lieutenant Governor elect ;
 Committee of Arrangements ;
 Brig. Gen. Harney, Staff, and Officers of the U. S. Army ;
 (on horseback ;)
 Judges and Clerks of the Supreme Court ;
 Judges of the District Courts ;
 Heads and Officers of Departments ;
 Masons in Regalia ;
 Odd Fellows in Regalia ;
 Sons of Temperance in Regalia ;
 Citizens ;
 Carriages.

Col. H. L. Kinney is appointed Chief Marshal, on the part of the Senate, and Col. Clements and Maj. Gillet, Assistant Marshals, on the part of the House of Representatives.

J. H. MOFFETT,
 Chairman of the Committee of the Senate.

J. K. HOLLAND,
 Chairman of the House of Representatives.

On motion of Mr. Parker, the Senate adjourned.

THURSDAY, 9 o'clock, A. M., December 20, 1849.

The Senate was called to order by the President. Senators present : Messrs. Burleson, Cooke, Davis, Gage, Grimes, Hart, Latimer, McRae, Moffett, Parker, Pease, Phillips, Portis, Robertson, Taylor, Truit, Van Derlip, Ward, Walker and Wallace.

Prayer by the Chaplain. The Journals of yesterday were read and adopted.

Mr. Grimes, chairman of the committee on Finance, to whom was referred a bill to provide for deductions from the salaries of District Judges and District Attorneys who fail or neglect to per-

form the duties assigned them by law, reported the same back to the Senate, with the following amendments, and recommend their adoption and the passage of the bill :

Amendments :

Section 1, 5th line, strike out "fourth" and insert "second."
 " " 8th, strike out "ten" and insert "twenty-five."
 " " " strike out all after "day" and insert "such judge shall be absent during the term."

Section 2, 8th line, strike out "ten," and insert "twenty-five."
 " 5, strike out after "shall" in the 13th line to "that" in 14th line, and insert "within twenty days after the time such court should have convened, file or cause to be filed with the Chief Justice, his own affidavit, or that of some respectable witness."

Section 6, to come in at the end of the section : "and report the same to the Governor to be laid before the Legislature at the next regular session thereof."

Mr. Phillips, chairman of the committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred the petition of Messrs. Webb and Duval, reported the petition back to the Senate, and asked to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject ; report received and petition withdrawn.

Mr. Robertson, chairman of the committee on Private Land Claims, to whom was referred the petition of James Wagstaff, administrator of Wm. H. Malone, reported that this claim, in the opinion of the committee, is a just one, and that the relief can be granted without coming in conflict with any constitutional difficulty. They therefore report the following bill and recommend its passage :

A bill for the relief of the heirs or legal representatives of William H. Malone, deceased ; read first time.

Mr. Portis offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Senate proceed to elect a President *pro tem.* for and during the present term of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Robertson, the rule requiring all resolutions, &c., to lay on the table one day, was suspended, and resolution adopted.

Mr. Latimer moved to go into the election at 12 o'clock ; carried.

Mr. Cooke offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the committee on Indian Affairs be instructed to inquire into, and report upon the expediency of granting to *Hosea Maria*, and the remainder of his tribe of Indians, leave to occupy and cultivate three leagues of land at the pleasure of the

State, and under her protection, in the county of Milam or Navarro, and near the Comanche Peak.

Mr. Cooke presented the petition of sundry citizens of Leon county, praying to have the county site removed from Leona to Centerville; read, and, on motion of Mr. Cooke, referred to the committee on County Boundaries.

Mr. Burleson presented the memorial of J. C. Clements, which was read, and, on motion of Mr. Burleson; referred to the committee on Private Land Claims.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Resolution of the Senate relative to the appointment of a committee to examine the Treasury of the State, was read.

Mr. Wallace moved to amend the resolution, by striking out "three" and "one," and inserting "three" and "two"; adopted.

Mr. Portis offered the following as a substitute for the resolution:

Resolved, That the Standing committee of the Senate to examine the offices of the Treasurer and Comptroller of Public Accounts be, and they are required to ascertain and report to this Legislature, the amount of money received by the Comptroller and paid out by the Treasurer; the amount of money paid in and now due from assessors and tax collectors and other sources; the amount received from the various custom-house collectors since the organization of the State Government which were due under the Republic of Texas; the amount now due, and if any, why it has not been collected, and that they have power to send for persons and papers, and to commission individuals in any county of this State to take the testimony of witnesses which they may deem necessary to, or touching any of the foregoing inquiries.

Resolved further, That the House of Representatives be requested to appoint a similar committee with like powers, to act in conjunction with such committee; adopted.

A bill authorizing the Commissioner of the General Land Office to issue patents to applicants from the board of land commissioners of Robertson county, that have not been legally returned to the Commissioner of the General Land Office, together with the substitute offered by the committee on Public Lands, was read.

Mr. Van Derlip moved to amend, by adding the following proviso: "*Provided* that no action shall be had by the Commissioner of the General Land Office upon any certificate issued before the

investigations of the travelling board of land commissioners, and not recommended by said board for patent"; adopted.

The substitute was then adopted and the bill ordered to be engrossed.

Joint resolution for the relief of the heirs of Peter Crudden, deceased; read, and passed to a third reading.

A bill to provide for the permanent location of the seat of justice for Cass county, together with the report of the committee on County Boundaries, offering amendments thereto, was read; amendments adopted and bill passed to a third reading.

A bill to incorporate the Grand and subordinate Divisions of the Sons of Temperance, together with the report of the committee on the Judiciary offering a substitute therefor, were read; substitute adopted and bill ordered to be engrossed.

A bill to quiet the land titles of those claiming lands under patents issued by the Republic of Texas, by the State of Texas, and titles issued to colonists, settlers or citizens, before the act of the late Consultation closing the Land Office in November, 1835, under the colonization laws of the Government of Mexico and the State of Coahuila and Texas, as headrights of families, and to single men, when the title issued for one league and labor of land or less; read, and made the order of the day for the 27th instant.

Joint resolution for the relief of the heirs and assignees of Benjamin D. Noble, deceased; read, and passed to a third reading.

Mr. Pease introduced a bill concerning lands acquired by aliens; read first time.

Mr. Robertson, chairman of the committee on Private Land Claims, to whom was referred the petition of William G. Runnels, reported a bill to legalize the headright certificate of Simon P. Barnes; read first time.

A bill to amend the first section of an act, concerning runaway slaves, approved January 27, 1844; read third time and passed.

Mr. Wallace, chairman of the committee on Enrolled Bills, reported a bill providing payment for the forage and subsistence of the company of mounted volunteers mustered into the service of this State, on the 10th June, 1849, Col. H. L. Kinney, correctly enrolled.

The committee, appointed by the Senate to wait on the Governor and invite him to be present at the inauguration of the Governor and Lieutenant Governor, reported duty performed.

Mr. Moffett, chairman of the committee on Engrossed Bills, reported the following bills correctly engrossed, viz:

An act to incorporate the town of Rio Grande City;

An act to incorporate the Bexar Manufacturing Company;

An act to prescribe the mode of adoption;

An act supplementary to an act to incorporate the Austin College, approved Nov. —, 1849;

An act to amend the first section of an act, concerning runaway slaves, approved January 27th, 1844;

A bill to amend an act regulating attachments, approved March 11th, 1848;

An act to authorize and require the Commissioner of the General Land Office to issue patents on land claims located in three surveys in certain cases;

A bill for the relief of the citizens of Mercer's colony; and,

A bill to amend the 6th, 7th and 9th sections of an act authorizing and requiring the county courts to regulate roads, appoint overseers, &c.

A bill to prescribe the mode of adoption; read third time and passed by the following vote:

Yeas: Messrs. Cooke, Davis, Grimes, Hart, Kinney, Latimer, Moffett, Pease, Phillips, Van Dertip, Walker and Wallace—12.

Nays: Messrs. Gage, McRae, Parker, Portis, Robertson, Taylor, Truit and Ward—8.

Joint resolution appropriating four thousand dollars for the compensation of the assessors of direct taxes for taking the enumeration of the inhabitants of the State for the year 1848; read third time and passed.

A bill for the relief of the citizens of Mercer's colony; read, and, on motion of Mr. Portis, laid on the table until the 27th instant.

The time having arrived to go into the election of President pro. tem. of the Senate, Mr. Portis nominated Mr. Edward Burleson. The ballot being taken, Mr. Burleson received twenty votes; whereupon the President declared him duly elected President pro. tem. of the Senate. Messrs. Portis and Robertson were appointed a committee to inform him of his election.

A bill to amend an act regulating attachments, approved March 11, 1848; read third time and passed.

A bill to restore lands, sold for taxes and purchased by the State, to former owners; read second time, and, on motion of Mr. Parker, referred to the committee on Finance.

Joint resolution making an appropriation for the relief and education of Angelina Elizabeth Dickinson; read second time, and, on motion of Mr. Taylor, referred to the committee on Finance.

A bill supplementary to an act to incorporate the Austin Col-

lego, approved Nov. —, 1849 ; read third time and passed by the following vote :

Yeas : Messrs. Burleson, Cooke, Davis, Gage, Grimes, Latimer, Moffett, Parker, Pease, Phillips, Robertson, Taylor, Truit, Van Derlip, Ward, Walker and Wallace—17.

Nays : Mr. Hart—1.

A bill to incorporate the Bexar Manufacturing Company ; read third time and passed by the following vote :

Yeas : Messrs. Burleson, Davis, Gage, Grimes, Hart, Latimer, Moffett, Parker, Phillips, Portis, Robertson, Taylor, Truit, Van Derlip, Ward and Wallace—16.

Nays : Mr. Pease—1.

A bill to incorporate the town of Rio Grande City ; read third time and passed by the following vote :

Yeas : Messrs. Burleson, Davis, Gage, Grimes, Hart, Kinney, Latimer, McRae, Moffett, Parker, Pease, Phillips, Portis, Robertson, Taylor, Truit, Van Derlip, Ward and Wallace—19.

Nays : none.

A bill to authorize and require the Commissioner of the General Land Office to issue patents on land claims located in three surveys in certain cases ; read third time and passed.

A bill to authorize James Knight to adopt Lucinda E. Nibbs, daughter of Mary Beckam, deceased, late of the county of Fort Bend ; read second time, and, on motion of Mr. Parker, referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Hart, the Senate adjourned.

FRIDAY, 9 o'clock, A. M., Dec. 21, 1849.

The Senate was called to order by the President pro. tem.—
Senators present : Messrs. Cooke, Davis, Gage, Grimes, Hart, Latimer, McRae, Moffett, Parker, Pease, Phillips, Robertson, Taylor, Truit, Van Derlip, Ward, Walker and Wallace. The journals of the preceding day were read and adopted.

The Secretary was instructed to inform the Governor and the House of Representatives that the Senate had elected the Hon. Edward Burleson President of the Senate for the time being.

On motion of Mr. Van Derlip, the Senate took a recess until the hour should arrive for the inauguration of the Governor and Lieut. Governor elect.